(b) what will be the likely cost of these tractors;

(c) whether excise duty has been fully exempted on these tractors; and

(d) whether these have been included in the NABARD scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Names of the manufacturers in the organised sector who have taken up manufacture of tractors of 25 HP and below are:—

(1) M/s. Eicher Tractors Ltd.

(2) M/s. Escorts Ltd.

(3) M/s. HMT Ltd.

(4) M/s. Mahindra and Mahindra Ltd.

(5) M/s. Pratap Steels Ltd.

(6) M/s. Punjab Tractors Ltd.

(7) Tractors and Farm Equipments Ltd.

(8) CAPOL

(b) The Ex-factory price of these tractors ranges between Rs. 87,000 to 1,30,000.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Tractors upto 1800 c.c. engine capacity (equivalent to 25 H.P.) are exempted from excise duty and are included in the NABARD refinancing scheme.

Use of brand names by multinational companies

3220. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the multinational companies are adopting a strategy gradually dropping the Indian prefix to the Indian manufactured products thereby pushing their Indian partners to a secondary status and losing out the competitive advantage in the global economy;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating the implications of the multinationals move;

(c) whether Government propose to formulate a comprehensive policy to safeguard the interests of the private sector in building up its global presence for their brand names; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government in this direction?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) With the removal of the restrictions on the use of purely foreign brand names/trade marks on goods for internal sales, it is purely a matter of contractual arrangement between multinational companies and the Indian collaborator to use whichever trade mark/brand name the parties agree upon.

(c) and (d) The Government has already introduced a comprehensive bill titled as "Trade Marks Bill, 1993," to replace the existing legislation on the subject. The Bill *inter alia* seeks to provide for registration and better protection of trade marks for goods and services and for the prevention of use of fraudulent marks by enhancing punishment for trade mark offences, and thereby safeguarding consumer protection.

Development of small and village Companies

3221. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have urged the State Governments to repeal all those laws which were against the development of small and village enterprises;

(b) the details of the guidelines issued in this respect;

(c) whether there is any machinery to check the growth of small and village enterprises in the country; and

(d) details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As a part of the process of implementation of the policy measures for promoting and strengthening Small, Tiny and Village Industries, announced on August, 6, 1991, Government have advised all State Governments to undertake a thorough review of all State laws and procedures with a view to rationalise and simplify them in so far as they apply to small and village industries.

(c) The Government has set up a Department of Small Scale Industries and Agro & Rural Industries in the Ministry of Industry for monitoring the growth of small and village industries in the country.

(d) The Department is assisted in its efforts by the following :—

(i) Development Commissioner (Small Scale Industries).

(ii) KVIC.

(iii) Coir Board.

In addition at the State level, Directorate of Industries and KVI Boards are also performing monitoring functions.

Loan by KVIC

3222. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Khadi and Village Industries Board provides loans to the poor entrepreneurs ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) how many entrepreneurs in Maharashtra have been given loan during this year to date ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c) Central Government provides financial assistance to Khadi & Village Industries Commission (KVIC) by way of grants and loans for the development of KVI Sector in the country. KVIC in turn provide funds to its directly aided institutions throughout the country for starting and continuing KVI work. KVIC also release funds to 30 KVI Boards working at the State/U.T. level, for promoting KVI work within their respective jurisdiction through cooperative societies and individual entrepreneurs. All details such as loans sanctioned, loans recovered etc. in respect of individual entrepreneurs are maintained at the State Board's level.

MOU Signed by PSUs

3223. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of Public Sector Units have signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the year 1993-94 ;

(b) what are the criteria of evaluation of grading the Public Sector Units for signing the MOUs ;

(c) what are the Public Sector Units which have violated Government Policy on MOUs ;

(d) what measures Government have taken to restore the health of the Public Sector Units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) Yes Sir. For the year 1993-94 MOU of 101 PSEs have been approved by Government for signing with administrative ministries/departments.

(b) At the beginning of the year, the PSE translates its objectives into performance criteria, like profitability, production plan, consumption efficiencies, R&D efforts, project implementation, etc. Each criterion is assigned some weight depending upon its importance to the PSE. At the end of the year, under the supervision of Ad hoc. Task Force and High Power Committee on MOU, the actual performance is evaluated against the target and a composite score arrived at for grading the PSE.

(c) No PSEs have violated the Government policy on MOU.

(d) Government has been taking various steps to restore the health of PSEs, some of the important ones being widening coverage of MOUs and signing the MOUs with almost all PSEs, delegation of more powers to public sector enterprises, especially all MOU signing PSEs, periodic performance of PSEs by the administrative ministries, referring sick PSEs to BIFR, reduction of surplus manpower through voluntary retirement schemes, and technology upgradation and research and development.

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Loss making PSUs

3225. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have compiled a list of public sector units which cannot be run on even a no-profit basis ;

(b) if so, the names of such public sector units ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the World Bank has also advised Government to enumerate "terminally sick" public sector units ;

(d) if so, the details of such directions ; and

(e) what assistance or economic safeguards would be given to the workers of such identified units ?